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The Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1712

Erhard MUELLER, et al.

Serial No. 10/014,796

Filed: December 14, 2001

For: **SUTURE MATERIAL FOR SURGERY, PROCESSES FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND THE USE THEREOF**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter
- (2) Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- (3) Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- (4) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- (5) Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status
- (6) Check No. 16252 \$ 415.00 for filing fee and 5 additional claims fee
- (7) Check No. 16253 \$ 65.00 Statutory Surcharge for the late filing of the Declaration.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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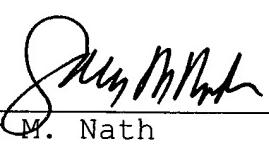
In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements of January 18, 2002, submitted herewith are the following:

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$45.
 - \$45 for 5 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 480.**

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